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GETTING THERE IS HALF THE STORY

By JAMES PICTON

KARACHI, Pakistan — The Indo-Pakistan war was no exception to the rule that getting to the story is often nine tenths of the job. Karachi was especially tough in the early hours because almost all flights into Karachi are part of flights that either overfly or land in India. All of this was prohibited by the war and the only flight terminating in Karachi was Pakistan International Airlines which was already overloaded with such unessential personnel as U Thant and Pakistani ministers and generals.

Several OPCers could get into Karachi only by talking Pakistani Ambassadors into putting them on the "Essential Pakistan Government Officials" list. But the prize for enterprise in getting into Karachi goes to VOA's John Hooley. He flew into Beirut from Athens on an American Air Force transport, and

while he was getting off he saw another USAF plane rubbing up the motors at the head of the runway.

"Where's that going", Hooley asked.

"Teheran."

And with that Hooley tore across the airport, bag in one hand and travel orders in the other, and waved down the plane just before it took off. Using more conventional means, Hooley got another flight from Teheran to Karachi.

"It was a bit nerve-racking" Hooley said afterward. "I had to run out in front of a Swissair Boeing that was moving into position. I guess the pilot thought I was a nut..."

American Congressmen beware... If such aggressive digging for the news goes on in the Voice of America, people may forget it is a propaganda outfit and start listening to it and not to BBC all the time. Stop this threat before it spreads...

THE VIET WAR KILLS TWO AP CAMERAMEN

The danger of the Viet Nam war was underscored in recent weeks by the deaths of two photographers covering the fighting for the AP.

Bernard Kolenberg was killed Oct. 2 when Skyraider bombers collided in Viet Nam. AP lensman Huynh Thanh My died Oct. 13 while covering battle action in swamp country. He was struck down by a Viet Cong bullet.

The 38-year-old Kolenberg was on leave from *The Albany Times-Union* as an AP photographer so he could "be where the action was". My, 29, was a native of the Mekong Delta area, a dangerous area where he preferred to do his camera reporting. He wanted, he said, to tell "what my soldiers are doing for my country."

AP General Manager Wes Gallagher commented that the deaths pointed up "the danger correspondents and photographers undergo to report the deadly at struggle in Viet Nam."

My was previously wounded by Viet Cong fire. He caught a bullet while making pictures near Can Tho, in the Delta country, last May.

Kolenberg had a five-week tour of duty in Viet Nam last summer, while he turned out a series of war pictures for his paper. He returned to the front for AP only about a month ago.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OCT. 26

Active members are urged to make plans to be at the Club's Semi-Annual Meeting, beginning at 8 p.m. Oct. 26.

Items of discussion will include the proposed constitutional amendments and reports on the work of various Club committees.

AN ADVENTURE IN THE CONGO

By DON CARL STEFFEN

LEOPOLDVILLE — Hoping for little more than a film on mercenary training and perhaps a hint as to the date of "Mad" Mike Hoare's offensive against the Congolese rebels, Bob Rogers (NBC) and I (CBS) flew to Albertville Sept. 25.

Our arrival at Commando Five camp nonplussed the mercenaries completely. Less than an hour later they were scheduled to move out for an amphibious attack on Baraka, the Lake Tanganyikan port for the Simba stronghold of Fisi, and they feared their secret was out. They had little choice but to take us with them, to insure our silence.

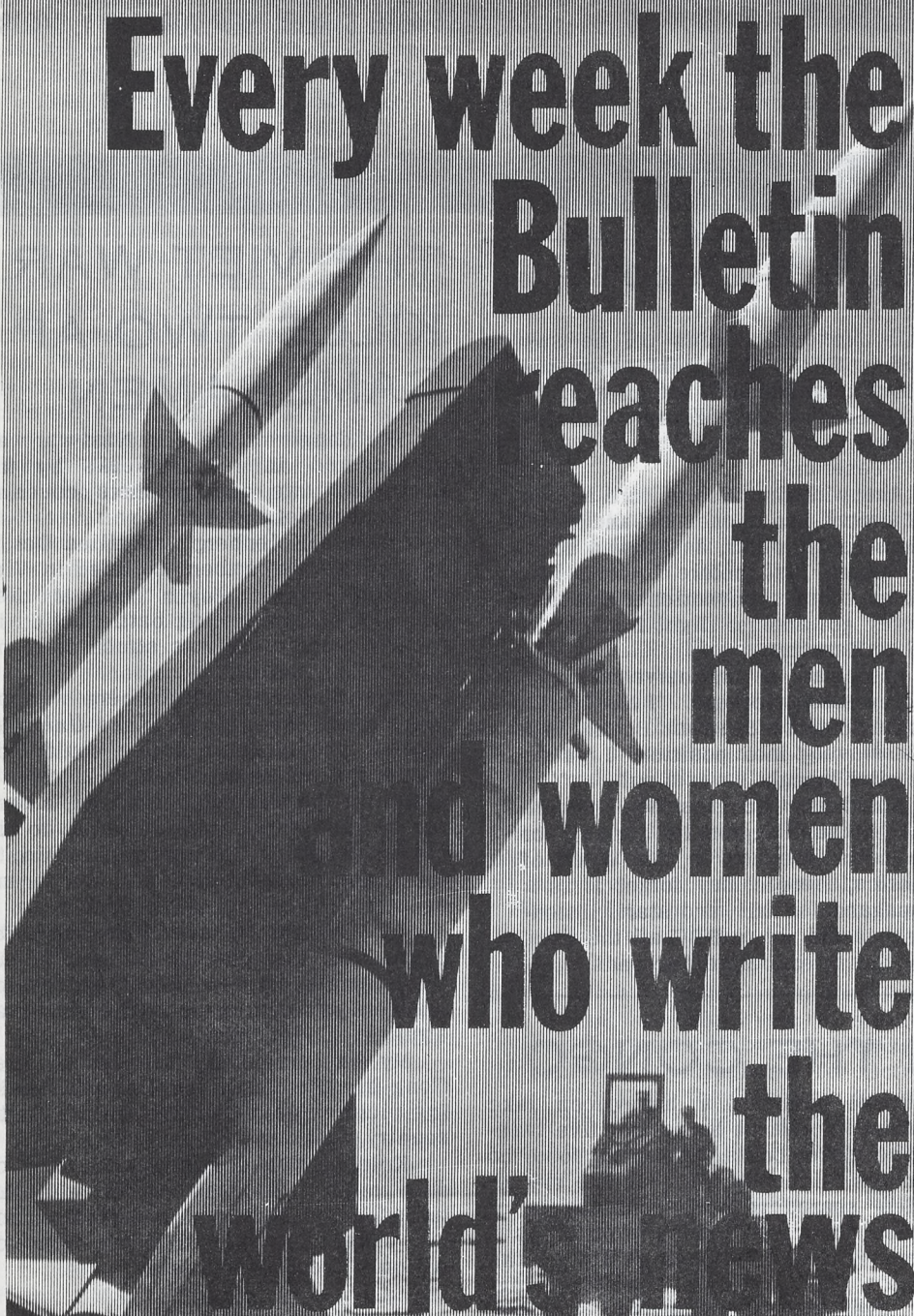
We loaded on the convoy, and at midnight boarded the invasion "fleet",

a small gunboat, a honeymoon lake steamer, a cement barge and five twin-engine patrol boats. We had no food, no blankets, no canteens, but the mercenaries shared their 24-hour supply of canned food, and loaned each of us a stretcher and a blanket. We lay on the barge's deck, staring at the stars hanging over Lake Tanganyika, swigging whiskey from a bottle the mercenaries produced from the belly of an armored car, listening to the veterans reliving past battles, the new troops speculating their reactions under fire.

Twenty-four hours later, the ships heaved to, several miles off Baraka on the Bay of Burton, a moonless midnight.

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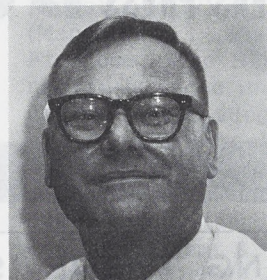
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Clubs Block Coverage in Japan, Roderick Says

By NORMAN SKLAREWITZ

OSAKA, Japan — How Japan's ubiquitous "reporters clubs" block foreign newsmen in their coverage was described and roundly criticized by John Roderick, president of the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan, before the annual meeting of the Japanese Newspaper Publishers Association last week.



Roderick

By barring foreign newsmen from almost all Japanese government and privately-sponsored press conferences, the clubs, he said, control news and constitute a threat to press freedom. Roderick called on the Association to appoint a committee to study what he called "this deplorable situation."

The Foreign Correspondents Club does not criticize the existence of the clubs, he said, but does criticize their "monopolistic, restrictive practices." Roderick blamed Japanese government officials for becoming "milling prisoners of the Reporters Clubs which surround them. 'Nowhere else in the world but Japan do reporters decide who should attend a press conference, he noted.

It is the practice of Reporters Clubs which are formed within each government agency to exclude all outsiders from press conferences. "This is a violation of the practice of virtually every country where the press is free," Roderick said. Government officials could, he noted, end this monopoly but do not do so. "Is it possible that they fear the reporters who specialize in covering their activities?" he asked.

Only significant exception to the bar against foreign press contact with Japanese government officials is a semi-monthly briefing by the Foreign Ministry spokesman. This contact, only recently established, was cited by Roderick as a "useful vehicle" but not enough. "There are other windows through which we can get a glimpse of the real Japan and of its people and officials," he said.

"We simply wish to be invited to attend any press conference given in Japan." If this isn't possible, Roderick suggested that officials give separate press conferences for the foreign press.

PEACE BEAT IS THEME OF NEXT COLLEGE MEET

It is more difficult for a journalist to report the news in a world groping toward peace than in one ablaze with war?

The old cliché that "good news is no news" will receive a thorough airing during the OPC's eighth annual College Editors Conference, next Feb. 4-7.

As in the past since 1959, the Club will play host to an estimated 250 campus journalists from all over the US. If the previous pattern holds, the four-day conference should produce both heat and light as campus newsmen trade ideas — and occasional verbal blows — with top professional journalists with US and foreign government officials.

In explaining the theme of this year's conference, Chairman Anita Diamant Berke acknowledged that there is no dearth of trouble spots around the world. Viet Nam, Cuba, Kashmir and other hot spots will receive their just share of attention, she suggested. But at a conference committee meeting last week, it was pointed out that many steps are being taken — through the UN and on other fronts — toward peace. The problems and responsibilities of newsmen covering these "peace beats" will be a central topic of the conference.

Serving as conference vice chairman is John Wilhelm. Back as honorary chairman is Sterling Fisher, executive director of the Reader's Digest Foundation, which for the fifth straight year is the Conference "angel". The Foundation's grant of \$8,500 helps pay for scholarships to underwrite room and board and travel expenses of the student editors attending. Co-sponsor of the conference this year is the US Student Press Association represented by its General Secretary, H. Neil Berkson.

The administrative details involved in liaison with the students, forming sub-committees, inviting speakers, selecting panelists, printing programs and other chores will be performed by a committee drawn from the Club. Those who have accepted committee appointments so far include: Jean Baer, David Bressen, Dorothy Gordon, Ben Grauer, Sidney Hertzberg, Mary Homaday, Matt Huttner, Natalie Jaros, Alton Kastner, John Luter, Lawrence Mihlon, Barrett McGurn, Dorothy Omansky, Charles Pintchman, Madeline D. Ross and James Sheldon.

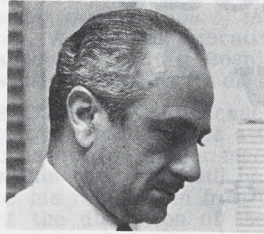
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NEW YORK SCENE

Tuesday: Bassow on de Gaulle

Tues., Oct. 26 — Reception for Newsweek's Whitman Bassow. 5:30 p.m.

Since the disappearance from the scene of such traditional enigmas as Nikita Khrushchev, Nehru and others, Charles de Gaulle of France has become the favorite object of the Thinking Man's analysis.



The Bassow exposition on "The Mystery and Grandeur of de Gaulle" (subtitle: "What de Gaulle Really Wants") will be made by the Newsweek Paris Bureau writer at the Open House Reception.

Bassow, on stateside business until next month, was for two years Moscow Bureau chief for Newsweek. He also has served a three-year stint for UPI and one year for CBS in the Soviet capital.

Tues., Oct. 26 — Semi-Annual Meeting, 8 p.m.

Thurs., Oct. 28 — Screenings, "Eleanor Roosevelt Story", 6:30, 8:30 p.m. 4th floor, 1600 Broadway.

OPC Music Season Opener

Wed., Nov. 3 — Music Night, with soprano Mildred Allen and baritone James Fleetwood, 8:30 p.m.

Miss Allen and Fleetwood will open the OPC's 1965-66 concert series with a varied program of operatic arias and light music.

The soprano, a young American artist, has sung leading roles in opera houses throughout the country in such works as "Carmen", "Don Giovanni" and "La Traviata". She was hailed by critics as "the perfect Cio Cio San" in her performance with the Santa Fe Opera this past summer. Miss Allen made her debut as Amore in "Orfeo," presented at Barcelona's Teatro de Liceo and later repeated the role at the Metropolitan Opera. Particularly notable among her concert appearances was her performance at Town Hall in New York where she was a soloist for Igor Stravinsky's "La Noces," conducted by the composer.



Fleetwood has many operatic and musical comedy performances to his credit. He has had featured baritone roles in "Marriage of Figaro", "Don Giovanni", "Carmen" and others in appearances with such groups as the Philadelphia Lyric Opera, the San Carlo, Chautauqua and Central City Operas. He also has appeared in lead roles of national companies for "My Fair Lady", "South Pacific" and "Oklahoma". The Missouri-born baritone is slated for a Nov. 13 New York performance in Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro".

Master of Ceremonies for the music evening will be Jack Frummer, Music Committee chairman. Bar service will be available.

Thurs., Nov. 4 — Fundraisers Kickoff Breakfast for OPC Foundation's Edward R. Murrow Fund. 8 a.m.

The Governor Asks, 'Why?'

Thurs., Nov. 4 — Book Night, "Power of Life and Death" by former Ohio Gov. Michael DiSalle and Larry Blochman. Cocktails 6:30, dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Are You in favor of capital punishment? Do you believe it is a deterrent to murder?

Some powerful and authoritative arguments against the death penalty will be put forth by the former Ohio governor at this Book Night session. DiSalle, as governor, recalls that he had had the lives of twelve men in his executive hands; six died, and six sentences were commuted.

DiSalle raises the question "Why?" in his new book, written in collaboration with Lawrence Blochman. It's a passionate argument against the death penalty and for penal reform. A panel of experts from both sides of this controversial issue will field their opinions during the discussion.

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Moscow Without Khrushchev

IT'S A DULLER AND MORE
PREDICTABLE PLACE NOW

By JAY AXELBANK

To get an idea of how Moscow is without Nikita Khrushchev one might imagine Washington without Lyndon Johnson — after a decade in the White House.

Just as Johnson's commanding presence dominates political activity and the Washington cocktail circuit and submerges other administration personalities, so the "Old Man" dominated the Moscow scene. Singlehandedly he made headlines and never ceased to amaze with his unpredictable behavior.

In the year since Khrushchev fell from power, Moscow is a duller and more predictable place for a foreign correspondent.

(But before I go any further let me make it clear I am talking in comparative terms only; Moscow, with or without Khrushchev, can never be anything less than a keep-you-guessing, exciting but, at the same time, frustrating beat.)

When Khrushchev was in Moscow, one always felt a little on edge. There was no telling when he would drop a "bombshell" announcement in the middle of a routine speech that would send us to the teletypes or telephones.

Attendance at Kremlin receptions was an absolute must. Who could afford not being present to witness a bearhug to a startled Chinese ambassador or a friendly warning to "you bourgeois gentlemen of the press" or a jig on New Year's eve.

The Old Man, as he was referred to by correspondents, was forever entertaining foreign VIPs who would come away from hours-long sessions with him and talk to reporters. A good example, in fact the last such, was the "dooms-

day weapon" boast reported by a group of Japanese parliamentarians only a month before he was ousted.

Any speech of Khrushchev's, no matter how innocuous, was good for at least one quotable phrase or homespun Russian proverb — if not hard news.

When Premier Kosygin or Party Chairman Brezhnev take the rostrum these days, there is none of the expectancy of the Khrushchev era.

End of the Ad Lib

I simply cannot visualize Premier Kosygin departing from his prepared text, raising his fist and warning the Germans that if they threaten Russia they would receive a swift kick "in the you know where."

Ad lib was introduced into the Kremlin by Khrushchev. It is gone, probably never to return. By contrast his successors give every impression of being calculating, quiet and self-effacing men, or perhaps the collective form of Kremlin rule imposes these qualities.

Oddly enough the new regime bears one similarity to the Johnson Administration in the consensus approach to governing.

The ground rules for correspondents are basically unchanged from what they have been down through the years. Official information beyond Tass or *Pravda/Izvestia* is still as scarce a commodity as ever, and there is seldom any advance warning about important statements or news events.

As far as unofficial news sources here are concerned, most correspondents feel that informants are a trifle less accessible — but not enough to make any noticeable difference in coverage.

An air of sobriety prevails. Diplomats

ic cocktail parties are staid affairs. Frequently there is no speech and when there is one, Kosygin, Brezhnev or Mikoyan confine themselves to polite, "friendship toast" remarks and generalities. If they have any new Kremlin point of view to express, they leave it for the proper occasion or for Tass — unlike Khrushchev, a la Johnson, who preferred to participate in making copy.

Khrushchev's comings and goings used to be announced in time for Western correspondents to be on hand at the airport or railroad station. Now Kosygin and Brezhnev depart frequently from the capital without any advance warning or simply do not invite Western correspondents to be on hand.

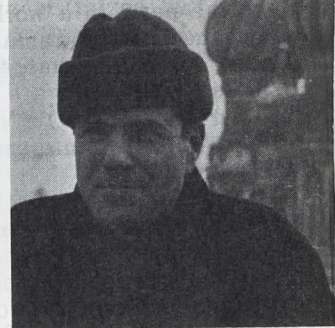
No Variation on the Theme

A good example of the element of predictability and continuity in Kremlin policymaking is North Viet Nam. Ever since February the refrain is unchanged; "We are helping and will continue to render assistance to the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam." The standard phrase is repeated dozens of times with almost no variation.

Khrushchev, had he been premier now, might have waxed bellicose on the subject of Viet Nam, causing Wall Street jitters. But in all likelihood he would have followed the same course as his successors.

The departure of Khrushchev, however, is not the sole reason for the slower tempo of events for a Moscow correspondent.

In the past year international and domestic Soviet developments — and the Kremlin's seemingly cautious reaction to them — have resulted in a relative slowing down of the newsmaking process.



Jay Axelbank, who has been two years, compares the present. He is former overnight news INS correspondent in Tokyo.

laws or rules of the Club or for conduct which, although it may not constitute such violation, shall in the opinion of the Board be improper or prejudicial to the interests of the Club. The Board of Governors shall be the sole judge of what shall be conduct improper or prejudicial to the interests of the Club. A member may be suspended without prior notice, but before expulsion or after suspension shall have the right to a hearing before the Board of Governors, which hearing shall be held within one month after mailing of notice of suspension or expulsion to the member. Before any such hearing before the Board of Governors, the member shall receive in writing a copy of the charges which are the basis for dismissal / the Board's action, together with a notice of the scheduled time and place of the hearing. The suspended member shall have the right to bring witnesses to the hearing to testify on his behalf.

(E) Charges made by any member against another member shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the President of the Club. A copy of the charges shall be forwarded to the accused member within five (5) days of their receipt and at least two (2) weeks before any hearing.

(F) No member, while under suspension from the Club for any cause, shall enjoy the privileges of the Club, nor be brought into the Club or allowed to attend any of its activities as a guest of another member, / or enter the Club as a guest of another member. This shall not apply to a member who is assigned by his editors or supervisors to cover any news event in progress in the Club at the time.

(G) Any notice required under this section shall be deemed to be sufficiently given if sent by registered or certified mail to a member not less than two weeks before the time of any hearing before the Board of Governors, at the member's address as shown by the Club records.

ARTICLE IV: ENTRANCE FEES AND DUES

The entrance fees and annual dues for all classifications of membership/ specific groups of members shall be fixed in the By-laws, except that the dues of all past Presidents of the Club shall be waived for life in appreciation of their work and efforts while in office.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND GOVERNORS

SECTION ONE. The government and management of the Club shall be confined to a Board of Governors consisting of all elected officers of the Club, thirteen (13) Governors to be elected in accordance with the procedure set forth in the By-laws, and ex-officio of all Past Presidents and presently serving regional chairmen who are members in good standing and who take an active part in the affairs of the Club, provided that only elected officers and governors of the Club as a whole shall be counted in determining a quorum, and provided the votes of ex-officio members shall not exceed a majority of the elected Board members present. The two highest unsuccessful candidates for the Vice Presidency, if they poll within 10% of the lowest winning candidate, may be named alternates to the Board of Governors upon the recommendation of the President to the Board. Not less than ten (10) of the thirteen (13) elected members of the Board of Governors shall be present or former correspondents as defined in Article III, Section Three, (A) and (B).

SECTION TWO. The officers of the Club shall be a President, four (4)/three (3) Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to be elected annually in accordance with pro-

cedures set forth in the By-laws. The unsuccessful candidate for President polling the highest number of votes among the losers, and provided he secures at least 30% of the total votes cast, may be named a 4th Vice-President upon recommendation by the President and the Board. (In the event that the 4th Vice-President should resign this vacancy shall not be filled.)

SECTION FOUR. A salaried Executive Secretary may be appointed by the Board of Governors. Such Executive Secretary shall not be a member of the Club, and shall serve under the direction of the Board of Governors. A salaried Executive Director may be appointed by the Board of Governors and shall serve under its direction.

SECTION SIX. Unexcused absence upon the part of an Officer or a Governor from three consecutive regular meetings of the Board within one year shall be deemed equivalent to his resignation from the Board and may, at the discretion of the Board, be so accepted and shall be noted in its minutes.

ARTICLE VIII: COMMITTEES

SECTION ONE: The Board of Governors shall in each year after the Annual Meeting of the members elect an Admissions Committee, consisting of five (5) or more Active members of the Club; the Chairman of the Admissions Committee to be a member of the Board of Governors. Members of the Admissions Committee shall be Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B). The Admissions Committee shall function as is provided for in the By-laws and report its recommendations from time to time directly to the Board of Governors.

SECTION TWO. The President may, with the approval of the Executive Committee or the Board of Governors, appoint such additional committees as may be provided for from time to time in the By-laws of the Club/ or dissolve such committees as may be necessary for the proper functioning of the Club.

ARTICLE X: MEETINGS

SECTION ONE. The Board of Governors shall hold business meetings at least once a month, except during July and August, at times and places designated by the Secretary, by and with the consent of the President. Special meetings may be called by the President or by three (3) members of the Executive Committee.

SECTION TWO: The membership shall hold business meetings in October and April at a time and place designated by the Board of Governors. The April meeting shall be considered the annual meeting, at which the Board of Governors and the officers shall be elected and inducted in accordance with procedure set forth in the By-laws. Notice of these meetings shall be given at least one week in advance/ ten (10) but not more than forty (40) days in advance.

SECTION FOUR. Special business meetings of the membership may be called at any time by the Board of Governors, the President or by the Secretary or upon the written request of twenty-five (25) Active members, addressed to the Board of Governors and submitted at least thirty (30) days in advance of the date for which the meeting is requested. Notice of these meetings shall be given at least ten (10) but not more than forty (40) days in advance.

ARTICLE XI: QUORUM

SECTION ONE. Seven (7) members of the Board of / elected officers and Governors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board of

Governors. In the event that a quorum is not present at initial roll call at any meeting of the Board of Governors, alternate members of the Board may at the instance of the President serve and vote as Governors at such meeting in order to provide a quorum. In no event, however, shall a quorum of the Board be deemed constituted unless a majority of the members present at the meeting are Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B).

SECTION TWO. A quorum for the transaction of business at the Semi-Annual and Annual Meetings, or at any special meeting of the membership, shall consist of thirty-five (35) or more members qualified to vote provided that a majority of the members present are Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B).

ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendment to this Constitution which is submitted in writing to the Board of Governors by a minimum of thirty-five (35) / seventy-five (75) Active members at least twenty (20) days prior to a Semi-Annual or Annual meeting of the Club shall be published in the first issue of the Club's Overseas Press Bulletin following the date of the Board of Governors' meeting at which the proposed amendment was submitted, and shall at the same time be posted on the Club bulletin board.

Said amendment shall then be placed before the next Semi-Annual or Annual meeting for discussion. Members of the Club not present at the Semi-Annual or Annual meeting may submit in writing to the Club their comments with respect to the proposed amendment and the same shall be read by the Secretary to the Members at the meeting. Within three (3) weeks following the Semi-Annual or Annual meeting to which the proposed amendment was submitted for discussion, the Secretary shall mail to all Active members in good standing ballots and an impartial digest of the discussion and of letters read at the meeting. Members may then register their votes by mail within a period of time specified by the Board and in accordance with procedure which shall be set forth in the By-laws.

If at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Members voting by mail vote in favor of the proposed amendment, it shall be declared adopted as of the date specified by the Board of Governors for the closing of the balloting. Not less than a majority of the members voting by mail voting in favor of the proposed amendment shall be Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B).

ARTICLE XV: THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominations for elective Club offices as set forth elsewhere in this Constitution shall be made either by the Nominating Committee, or under procedure provided in the By-laws, by petition. The Nominating Committee, constituted once for each annual election, shall consist of seven (7) Active members, all of whom shall be Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B). Four (4) of them shall be elected by the Board of Governors. Three (3) shall be named by the President who also will designate a chairman from among the seven (7) chosen. No member of the Nominating Committee shall be nominated for any office to be filled in the election for which it is serving. The Nominating Committee shall nominate two (2) or more candidates for each office and each position on the Board of Governors. The Nominating Committee Report shall be confined to a list of candidates.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO OPC CONSTITUTION

The following amendments to the Constitution have been validated with more than 35 signatures of Active members in good standing and will be discussed at the Semi-Annual meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 26, 1965.

Following the Semi-Annual Meeting the Secretary will mail ballots to all Active members in good standing.

ARTHUR MILTON
Secretary

KEY

proposed additions
proposed deletions

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this Club is the Overseas Press Club of America, Inc., a non-profit association incorporated under the Membership Corporation Laws of the State of New York. Its headquarters shall be known as the World Press Center.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Club are to bring together men and women whose past or present activities in the service of or for American journalism abroad have given them mutual interests; to provide facilities for the expression of those interests in order to disseminate democratic principles, achieve international understanding, and advance the national welfare; and to encourage and maintain the highest standards of independence and professional integrity and skill in the American overseas press service. form an association of American journalists, both foreign correspondents abroad and those who have been abroad, and journalists working in the United States who are qualified for membership under the terms of the Constitution and the By-laws to encourage and maintain the highest standards of professional integrity and skill in the reporting of news, to guard the independence of the journalists and of the press in the furthest reaches of the world, to work toward more perfect communications and better understanding among peoples, and in so doing to create an international press club which can lend strength and continuity to these important efforts, and which can serve as a forum to hear and understand important developments in world affairs, both at the World Press Center and through its chapters overseas.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

SECTION ONE. No applicant for any classification of membership shall be excluded for reasons of color, race, or creed or sex. SECTION TWO. No applicant shall be admitted if the Admissions Committee judges his qualifications to be inconsistent with the objectives and principles of the Club as set forth in Article II of this Constitution. An applicant, if requested to do so, shall present himself in person to two mem-

bers of the Admissions Committee who will determine his qualifications.

In any doubtful case. If this is not feasible, the Committee may otherwise satisfy itself as to the applicant's qualifications through contact with the sponsoring members/members who have sponsored his application and/or with organizations that employ or have employed him.

SECTION THREE - ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP. Admission shall henceforth be limited to: The Admissions Committee shall recommend acceptance of an application for membership under the following definitions:

(A) Foreign correspondents who, in conjunction with a career pursued for a considerable period in journalism, or employed on verified long-term assignments (one year or more) outside the territory of the /continental United States by American-owned information media as full-time staffers, or who have had in the past an aggregate of at least two (2) full years of duty outside the territory of the/ continental United States as full-time staffers for American-owned information media, and who are still engaged in active journalistic work; provided that their employment with such media - inclusive or exclusive of overseas service - totals not less than five (5) full years.

(B) Stringers or frequently published freelancers whose employment by American-owned information media over a cumulative period of at least two (2) full years outside the territory of the United States was their principal activity and source of professional income and who are still engaged in active journalistic work provided that their employment with such media - inclusive or exclusive of overseas service - totals not less than five (5) full years.

(C) Third paragraph. The American-owned information media referred to above are understood to include recognized and regularly established news agencies, newspapers, press syndicates, newsreels, or broadcasting or television networks or stations, and those magazines which maintain regularly and systematically independent news and/or feature coverage of international affairs. For the purpose of establishing criteria for

interpretation of the admissions section of the Constitution, the phrase "American-owned information media" shall not include promotional or house organs, or government-owned or subsidized information or propaganda organs - except for service-wide information media of the armed forces such as the newspaper "Stars and Stripes", or services with wartime combat correspondents. The phrase "American-owned information media" shall specifically include U.S. government owned information media, the USIA, VOICE OF AMERICA and servicewide information media of the armed forces such as the STARS AND STRIPES, or services with wartime combat correspondents but shall not include promotional or house organs.

(D) By invitation of the Board of Governors, distinguished members of the working press, radio or television in the United States who have five (5) years of full-time experience on daily newspapers, news services, national magazines or radio and television stations or networks employed full time in editorial work.

(E) By invitation of the Board of Governors authors of distinguished works on foreign affairs.

(F) Persons who have formally retired shall be considered to be members in the category they held at the time of retirement.

Item (D) in Constitution becomes Item (G)
Item (E) in Constitution becomes Item (H)

SECTION FOUR - ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP.

Admission shall henceforth be limited to: The Admissions Committee shall recommend acceptance of an application for membership under the following definitions.

(B) Persons who in the past accumulated at least ten (10) full years of experience in news coverage for the media and in the manner defined in (A) above.

Item (C) becomes Item (B)

Item (D) becomes Item (C)

Item (E) becomes Item (D)

Item (F) becomes Item (E)

Item (G) becomes Item (F)

SECTION FIVE - AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP. Upon the invitation of the President and the Board of Governors, Affiliate Membership may be extended to those whose business or professional work involves/ who have a close relationship with or interest in the field of journalism, and especially international journalism, and diplomatic or other government officials whose association with the club will advance the objects as defined in Article II./ if their association with the club would further the stated objectives of the club.

SECTION SEVEN. All members shall enjoy equal privileges in the Club, except that only Active members shall be eligible to vote or hold office. The Board of Governors, in its discretion, may name members in any category to membership on any committees except the Admissions Committee, which shall consist of only Active members as defined in Article III, Section Three (A) and (B), but appointment as a member of a committee shall not, per se, make the member an officer of the Club or change the member's classification.

SECTION NINE. Membership in the Club may be terminated by the Board of Governors as follows:

(D) The Board of Governors may suspend or expel any member of any class at any duly constituted meeting of the Board by a two-thirds (2/3) / three-fourths (3/4) vote of the members present for a violation of the By-



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Viet Nam has put American-Soviet relations on ice, at least temporarily. There are fewer high level visitors, fewer cultural exchanges, fewer bi-lateral contacts. A projected exchange of visits between the White House and the Kremlin was shelved.

The Russians have turned the other cheek to the Chinese, almost consistently. Kosygin and Brezhnev seem to be much cooler under verbal fire from Peking than was Khrushchev.

And thirdly, Soviet authorities have taken a middle of the road line toward intellectual freedom — no glimmer of any crackdowns but no bending away from the party line. This doesn't make exciting copy.

Fourthly, the really fascinating development of late — the pushing of profit in production and the airing of a plan to break up huge collective farms — is meat and drink to Soviet affairs experts. But a little far away from average newspaper readers.

I recall the night of Khrushchev's downfall. A fellow correspondent said, "It's time for me to go. Covering Moscow without Khrushchev will be too depressing."

He was right but definitely only up to a point.

Russians, average Russians, people who buy ice cream in minus 20 weather, who go to the Bolshoi in open necked shirts, cry over performances of Shakespeare in English and very much admire individual Americans despite it all, will always make working and living here an invigorating experience.

CONGO ADVENTURE *(Cont'd from page 1)*

Black-faced scouts slipped overboard and soon their signals beckoned in the first boatload of troops. We boarded the second boat and followed fifteen minutes later, expecting to be welcomed to an established and defended beachhead. Instead we were waved away frantically. The first patrol was pinned down, legs in the water, Simba tracers arcing in from the bluffs. Fire from light machine guns laced the air and geysered the water about us as we fled north a quarter of a mile and turned in at another patch of sand. With a sound camera, I stepped overboard into six feet of water. A mercenary dragged me to the beach. Then we climbed two hundred yards up the bluffs, sometimes on hands and knees. Any determined opposition would have decimated us. Luckily, there was none at this most unlikely of landing spots.

The village on the bluff was deserted, except for scurrying chickens and staring goats. Thatched huts were fired as signal to incoming boats. A banana gun chattered shrilly from a fruit grove. The heavy cough of an FN silenced it. The first assault team finally got off the beach, other boats landed, and five jeeps were pushed and pulled up the steep slopes. Heavy rebel ammo caches in the burning huts started exploding.

Then Commando Five's "charge of the Light Brigade" started. Mounting the jeeps, Captain Hugh Van Oppen driving the lead jeep which had a .30 caliber machine gun mounted, twenty men swept down the pot-holed track toward Baraka at 40 miles per hour, zig-zagging, pumping bursts into every hut and brush patch. T-28s flew shotgun for the column, strafing both sides of the track. Crouched between the legs of Van Oppen's gunner, empty cartridges tumbled down my open shirt, leaving fifty cigarette-like belly burns.

The six kilometers to Baraka were nearly covered when heavy Russian machine guns slammed a cross-fire into the jeeps. Number four jeep had a tire blown and two wounded. Everyone hit the ditch. Everyone but Van Oppen's jeepload. He wheeled back through the ambush, all guns spraying, back and forth three times, temporarily silencing the Simba guns and enabling mercenaries to take cover in the bush.

Five hours later we were still there, huddled under a mango tree next to a dead mercenary, a tropical downpour pelting us, machine gun fire dropping cut leaves and mango fruit on us. Finally Hoare threw in his reserves under baton-toting Commandant John Peters (who makes a fetish of never drawing his pistol in battle). Twenty minutes later the rebel line was broken, forty

dead Simbas littering the field. Three mercenaries were dead and six wounded, including Peters with a Russian burp gun slug in his leg.

Leaving Peters to hold the field, Hoare took half his troops down a side road to Baraka, taking the port without seeing a rebel. Two buildings packed to the eaves with Russian and Chinese ammunition were exploded, while Russian .50 caliber machine guns, Chinese bamboo bazookas, ammunition for them, and anti-tank mines were carefully loaded on the jeep with the dead mercenaries.

Mike Hoare had taken Baraka. He stood on the beach and signaled for supplies to be sent in from the fleet. But for the first time since the Congo rebellion began, the Simbas did not break and run. Snipers infiltrated Baraka and tied down the beach. Only part of the supplies were unloaded, then Hoare pulled back into two defensive perimeters — the first time the mercenaries had retreated even partially. Fire from 81 mm mortars, bazookas and .50 cal. machine guns, heavier weapons than the mercenaries had, zeroed in on the perimeters. The Simbas used whistles to signal charges, flanking movements, and concentrated fire.

This unusual discipline and training were easily explained. Rebel field radios were broadcasting instructions in coded Spanish. Castro Cubans were in battle. Commando Five intelligence estimated before the invasion that 285 Cubans and an unknown number of Chinese Communists were with the rebels. Hoare even offered two million francs, about \$5,700, for the capture of one of them. And the two thousand rebels, supported avidly by 20,000 civilian population, had been supplied with at least 80 tons of weapons.

With dusk falling, Hoare ordered the journalists off the beach, back to the barge. Ten days later the perimeter had been enlarged but little, although reinforcements had been brought in. Hoare's Commando Five faces the toughest fight of its career. But little more news will emerge till the battle is over. We cannot return. The entire area has been declared off limits to journalists, under pain of expulsion.

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THAI FOREIGN MINISTER: Thanat Khoman, Thailand's chief exponent on foreign affairs, disputed the long-held theory of Red Chinese that time favors them. "Time is no longer on their side," said Khoman at a recent OPC lunch. He urged free nations to take advantage of Red Chinese weaknesses to foreclose on them. Khoman, whose government is a vocal supporter of US policy, says of questions from his own people: "I have to explain to them we are minding our own business because Southeast Asia is our business". Referring to the Viet Nam action, he said "It is better to stand firm now."



SOUTH AFRICAN MP: Mrs. Helen Suzman, Progressive Party member of the South African Parliament, told a recent OPC luncheon audience that if whites there would be reassured that there would be no handing over to a black majority of the government, racial adjustment could supercede the apartheid policy. Mrs. Suzman, whose party advocates a qualified franchise for Negroes and eventual desegregation, said that "We are not a white or black party but a multiracial party". Economic growth will make it impossible for the present situation to last, she said.

High-Flying Challenge To NYC Park Ordinance

The OPC's Freedom of the Press committee and the American Civil Liberties Union have come to the assistance of high-flying Will Yolen, past OPC president and kite-flying authority.

Yolen was arrested Oct. 2 in New York's Central Park for flying a kite for NYC mayoral candidate John Lindsay. Yolen's kite carried a banner exhorting people to vote for the candidate.

Yolen was accompanied to Criminal Court in Manhattan Oct. 11 by two ACLU attorneys. In this test action, they maintain that the city ordinance under which Yolen was arrested — which prohibits distribution of literature and flying balloons or kites — is unconstitutional on grounds that it violates the First Amendment of the US Constitution.

Yolen said he regards it as a serious violation of freedom of the press, particularly since many of the newspapers weren't publishing because of the shutdown. Also cited was the possibility of affronting the newest UN member, Maldives Islands, to whom kite-flying is a national pastime.

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NEW YORK SCENE

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Mon., Nov. 8 - Dinner for Mayor and Mrs. Robert F. Wagner. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m., dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 15 - Music Night, reception for opera star Rise Stevens.

Wed., Nov. 17 - Luncheon, with Robin Moore, author of "The Green Berets", and Hallie Burnett, author of "Watch on the Wall".

Hear Tunisia's UN Ambassador Taieb Slim on the OPC's "International Interview" program at 10 p.m. Oct. 27 and 28, Channel 31 (UHF). Repeated on WNYC radio 4 p.m. Oct. 29. Panelists: Richard Jennings, WJRZ, Newark; Milton Freudenheim, Chicago Daily News; and Madeline D. Ross.

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FROM THE DEEP: Dr. Albert Glascover won this \$375 pearl necklace (being presented by Bistro Chairman Alice Towsley) at the Underseas at the Overseas Press Club night recently, courtesy Tele-Press Associates and the Cultured Pearl Association of America. Winner of Rudder Magazine cruise was Ann Masters. Henrietta Brackman won a bear paw clam shell, and a variety food package from Standard Brands went to Mrs. Moritz Jagendorf. Other party credits: peanuts courtesy Planters, and entertainment by guitarist-folk-singer Jim Gold.

MEDICARE STATEMENT

Financial manager Frank O'Rourke has copies of a recent Blue Shield-Blue Cross statement and information sheet on Medicare for interested participants in the Club insurance program.

For a copy, contact the Club office via mail or phone.

CONFERENCE

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A conference highlight will be a "special events" day set up by Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism, with Prof. Melvin Mencher acting as liaison. Presentation of OPC Plaques and Reader's Digest cash awards for outstanding campus journalism is another project being planned.

Small Countries Count, Says Riesel

Victor Riesel, just returned from a tour through a dozen of the smaller nations of Central and South America, warned that correspondents should not forget the "postage stamp" countries.

"All of them have a vote in the UN," he reminded OPCers at a cocktail reception in his honor.

"The most hopeful force in newly-developing areas, both in setting up stable governments and repelling Communist propaganda, is often the free labor movement," Riesel said. He cited Prime Minister Forbes Burnham of British Guiana as an outstanding example of such labor participation in politics.

Before Riesel spoke, informal tributes were paid to him by two past presidents,

Eugene Lyons and Will Yolen, and by two vice presidents, Bruno Shaw and Ansel Talbert. All praised him for his long work as a champion of the free press, and particularly as chairman of the OPC's Freedom of the Press Committee.

SPECHT DIES

William Specht, associate editor of *The Film Daily*, died in a Queens, N.Y. hospital Oct. 10. He was 57.

He has held his current post since 1960. He also was with the *Showmen's Trade Review* from 1949 to 1958. He was a former staffer with *The New Orleans Times-Picayune* and the International Service.

PEOPLE & PLACES

By BETTY ETTER

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ON THE GO: Julian Goodman, executive vice-president of NBC News, headed a delegation attending the 1965 international conference of the Radio-Television News Directors Association in Tampa, Fla., this week. Among those with him is Russell C. Tornabene, manager of NBC Radio Network News, who went from the conference to Winter Park, where he spoke to a forum of the Central Florida Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi on the pool planning for broadcast coverage of Pope Paul's recent visit to NY. . . . Hugh W. Swofford, scientific adviser, U.S. Army Research Office, at John F. Kennedy Center for Special Welfare, Fort Bragg, N.C., the week of Oct. 3 for conference on "The US Army — a Force for Stability." . . . Photographer Lynn Millar is planning a December assignment in Tanzania (Dar-es-Salaam), where her husband is press officer at the Embassy.

CHECKING IN: Whitman Bassow from France.

NEW POSTS: Fred L. Strozier, broadcast membership executive of the AP, names assistant secretary of the organization. He has been with the AP for 29 years. . . . Dr. Harold J. Highland, associate professor of business administration at Long Island University's Brooklyn Center, appointed director of its newly formed office of Instructional Services.

ARTICLE: Parade's Oct. 24 issue carries Vera Glaser's byline on "LBJ Love Story — How the President Has Wood and Won the Washington Women's Press Corps." . . . Current issue of Flight Magazine carries article and photos of the annual August Rockford, Ill., fly-in of the Experimental Aircraft

Association, by Frank J. Gillespie. . . . Color pix taken by Robert Lawrence Pastner during a recent five-month trip to South America are appearing in such spots as Goodyear's Orbit, and in annual reports of other companies from whom he had assignments. The November issue of Status will have a color portfolio of his NY pix. . . . Recent International Trade Review contains two articles by Stella Margold — "Ethiopia Strives for Economic Growth" and "UNCTAD Tackles Trade Problems." . . . Atlantic Monthly for October features "Veteran Vs. Veteran" by John Booth, who's also been making the radio scene via appearances with John Wingate (WOR) and Ed Joyce (CBS).

BOOKS: Edward Hymoff's "Stig von Bayer: International Troubleshooter for Peace" out via James H. Heineman, Inc., Nov. 16. It's the latest in the firm's "Future Makers" series. . . . Harold Rosenthal, pro football editor of the NY Herald Trib, has authored "The Big Play," a football book for teenagers, being published this month by Random House.

SPEAKERS: John Mason Brown, director of public information at Ithaca College, is giving a course in journalism to upper classmen, the first time it has been offered at the school, and is also serving as adviser to the Ithacan student newspaper.

RADIO & TV: New weekly TV travel-adventure series called "The World of Lowell Thomas" is being co-produced by BBC and Odyssey Productions, founded by Thomas. Expeditions are now under way and editing is in progress on film shot in South America, the Middle East and Southeast Asia.